

The Allman Brothers Band

"Stand Back"

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I recall once upon a time
Livin' was so easy and I felt so fine
But, my, my, my ... right before my very eyes
Satan came with fire to burn me
Wouldn't listen when they warned me
A dagger in my back while she's callin' me honey
Wouldn't stand back ... for neither love nor money

Thirty minutes after my ship set sail
She put up a sign and my house began to wail
But, why, why, why ... I couldn't see it in my little girl's
eyes
She had such a way to fool me ... Lord she had a way to
fool me
And I would ask the woman, Can you find it in yourself
to please stand back ... you ain't gonna rule me

Just when all began to fade
I reached out and threw the ace of spades
I put her on a train to the Everglades

Now that it's all over and gone
Somehow I just don't feel so alone
But, lie, lie, lie ... it seemed like such a waste of time
She did not ever seem to know me
But now it's much too late to show me
But if I ever see that woman walkin' down the street I'll
just stand back ... and try to move away slowly
Oh, yeah

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